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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6081 BILL NUMBER: HB 1298 **DATE PREPARED:** Mar 22, 2002 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 14, 2002

SUBJECT: Notification to Foster Parents.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

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<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: (Amended) This bill provides that a foster home must notify the Division of Family and Children if: (1) a foster child less than 16 years of age, while living in a foster home, engages in or is the victim of sexual contact; (2) a foster child, while living in a foster home, is charged with, convicted of, or is the victim of certain sex crimes or is charged with or adjudicated as a juvenile for having committed certain acts that would be sex crimes if committed by an adult; or (3) the foster home learns the foster child, before placement in the foster home, had engaged in or been the victim of sexual contact or certain other sex crimes. The bill specifies what information must be provided to the division. The bill also requires the Division to share certain information with former and prospective licensees.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> This bill requires minor modifications to an existing reporting requirement. Agency staff state that this will not increase program administration cost nor staffing requirements.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

<u>Information Sources:</u> Amy Brown, Legislative Director, Family and Social Services Administration, (317) 232-1149.

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